GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
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ANIMALS POPULATION IN KAZIRANGA NATIONAL PARK
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a week-long survey of the Kaziranga National Park and Manas National Park has been conducted in July-August, 2002 to determine the population of Elephants and Rhinos therein;

(b) if so, the outcome thereof indicating the number of each specie of wild animals in these parks and their comparative figures with the earlier three survey-counts; and

(c) the steps taken/to be taken to protect and promote these species in their natural habitat?

Answer

MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI T.R. BAALU)

a) No, Sir.

b) Does not arise.

c) Central Government provides technical and financial assistance to State Government of Assam for protection and scientific management of Kaziranga National Park and Manas National park. The steps taken to protect and promote Elephants and Rhinos in their natural habitats include :

i) Vigorous patrolling by armed forest staff
ii) Development of infrastructure like road network and patrolling paths.
iii) Establishment of anti-poaching camps.
iv) Establishment of wireless communication network.